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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Risto FORSSTROM et al.

Serial No.: 09/445,004

Filed: December 03, 1999

For: Method of and Apparatus for Threading of a
Wrapper Web into a Nip Between Drawing Rolls
in Wrapping DeviceAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231AMENDMENT

SIR:

Applicants hereby request a three-month Extension of Time of the original shortened statutory response period set forth in the Office Action mailed August 14, 2002. A check is enclosed herewith in the amount of \$930 in payment of the government fee for a three-month Extension of Time (Large Entity). Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

Amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, before the title added in the Preliminary Amendment "FIELD OF THE INVENTION", insert the following title and paragraph:

--PRIORITY CLAIM

This is a national stage of PCT application No. PCT/FI99/00281, filed on April 1, 1999.

Priority is claimed on that application, and on patent application No. 980751 filed in Finland on April 1, 1998.--

Examiner: Paradiso, John
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